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REMARKS:

Early in June 1949

1. a. Tank and antitank units of about 1,000 troops were located in troop quarters and the former Flieger Kaserne of LUDWIGSLUET (A 54/T 59). Most of the observed M1 were about 20 years of age, but the M24 were older.
 b. Several trucks with Soviet troops were dispatched from LUDWIGSLUET to an unknown destination in late May and early June 1949.

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2. a. Only a rear detail was located in the former officer Kaserne of LUDWIGSLUET. The troops from this kaserne were on summer maneuvers in the area of WITTSTOCK (A 54/T 14).
 b. The passenger car # 2-20-21, occupied by an officer, went from LUDWIGSLUET to WITTSTOCK on 3 July 1949.

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a. [REDACTED] the above information and reported the unit which left LUDWIGSLUET in May 1949 to have numbered about 800 troops and to have been equipped with 60 tanks and SP guns.

b. [REDACTED] in 25X1A
 LUDWIGSLUET: Col. ZHUKOV, 30 of the units stationed in the kaserne.
 Col. ZWETALL, 30 of the units stationed at the airfield. These officers are identified for the first time.

c. From the observations made in June and July 1949 it can be assumed that the LUDWIGSLUET units of the 18th Mech Div went to the WITTSTOCK-SCHMIDEN training area for summer maneuvers after the end of May 1949. Similar observations were made at the PARCEIM and PERLEBERG posts where other component units of this division are stationed. The troops who remained in the military post (recruits) are assumed to have been trained in the town vicinity.

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